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SUBJECT: NUMBER OF AMERICANS IN UGANDA

REF: BONN 3592

FOLLOWING IS AMBASSADOR ELLERKMANN'S REPORT (FRG
NUMBER 102) ON THE NUMBER OF AMERICANS PRESENT IN
UGANDA. MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED 1245Z MARCH 3.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. PRESIDENT AMIN ON 2-MARCH REFUTED AMERICAN
STATEMENT THAT THERE ARE 240 AMERICANS IN UGANDA. HE
SAID THAT ACCORDING TO UGANDAN FIGURES THERE WERE ONLY
84 AMERICANS IN UGANDA, EXCLUDING 16 AMERICAN PILOTS
WORKING IN ENTEBBE AND THAT HALF OF THE 84 AMERICANS
WERE ILLEGALLY IN UGANDA. HE CONFIRMED THAT THOSE
AMERICANS WHO ENTERED THE COUNTRY ILLEGALLY WERE FREE
TO REGISTER THEMSELVES WITH THE IMMIGRATION OFFICE
AND THAT THOSE WHO WANTED TO LEAVE WERE FREE TO DO
SO.

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2. STATEMENT BY AMIN SHOULD NOT (NOT) ALARM
DEPARTMENT OF STATE. ACCORDING TO THIS EMBASSY'S
RECORDS THERE WERE ON 28 FEBRUARY (COMPARE TELEGRAM
NUMBER 86 DATED 28.2 -- BONN 3592) 260 AMERICANS IN
UGANDA OF WHICH 40 ARE WIVES AND CHILDREN AND 25 ARE
UN-PERSONNEL (INCLUDING 6 WIVES AND 10 CHILDREN).
SINCE THEN, THE FIGURE DUE TO SOME DEPARTURES HAS

DECREASED, BY HOW MUCH CANNOT BE SAID RELIABLY. ALSO OFFICIAL LIST OF AMERICANS BY PRINCIPAL IMMIGRATION OFFICER COPY OF WHICH I RECEIVED 2 DAYS AGO - GIVES NUMBER OF AMERICANS AS 178 WITHOUT FAMILY MEMBERS. THEREFORE, IT CAN BE ASSUMED THAT THE OFFICIAL UGANDAN FIGURE IS NOT VERY FAR FROM FIGURE OF THIS EMBASSY, EVEN THOUGH UGANDAN LIST INCLUDES MANY NAMES OF PERSONS WHO HAVE LEFT THE COUNTRY SOME TIME AGO. PHOTOSTAT COPIES OF UGANDAN LIST WERE SENT TO BONN BY DIPLOMATIC BAG YESTERDAY. IF SO WISHED, LIST WILL BE TELETYPED. ALSO UGANDAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRES IN WASHINGTON WHO WAS HERE AND RETURNED TO WASHINGTON YESTERDAY HAS COPY OF LIST.

3. WHEN I SAW ACTING MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, LUBEGA, MARCH 3, I DREW HIS ATTENTION TO THE DIFFERENCES AMONG FIGURES GIVEN BY THE PRESIDENT, CONTAINED IN LIST OF PRINCIPAL IMMIGRATION OFFICER AND FIGURES AVAILABLE TO THIS EMBASSY. I TOLD MR. LUBEGA THAT THE FIGURE GIVEN BY THE PRESIDENT WAS HARD TO UNDERSTAND AND I WOULD ASSUME THAT IN PRESIDENT'S FIGURE WIVES AND CHILDREN WERE NOT INCLUDED. I SUGGESTED THAT STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT MAY GIVE CAUSE FOR NEW ALARM IN UNITED STATES. LUBEGA SUGGESTED TO ME, THAT PRESIDENT, ON PURPOSE, WAS PLAYING WITH FIGURES BECAUSE HE WAS ANNOYED AT WESTERN PRESS NEWS THAT OLYMPIC GOLDMEDAL WINNER AKI BUA, MAJOR GENERAL NYANGWESO AND NATIONAL SOCCER COACH OTTI HAD DISAPPEARED. LUBEGA TOLD ME THAT THERE WAS NO REASON FOR ALARM WHATSOEVER, THAT THE

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AMERICAN MATTER IS CLOSED AND THAT THE WESTERN PRESS SHOULD CALM DOWN AGAIN. LUBEGA REASSURED ME THAT AKI BUA WAS NOT ARRESTED AND SEEN THIS MORNING BY A FRIEND OF HIM AND THAT NYANGWESO WAS IN HIS OFFICE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, WHILE I WAS SEEING HIM. ELLERKMANN

END TEXT.
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